

Amendment to the Specification:

Please replace the last paragraph on page 5 of the subject application with the following amended paragraph:

Figure 1 illustrates a typical printed circuit card having a number of terminations 12 and at least one connection 14 to the back plane of the chassis 15 (not shown in Figure 1). The card 10 includes a faceplate 16 ~~[[14]]~~ which is visible externally of the chassis when the card is installed therein. The faceplate 16 includes plural apertures 18 which provide access to the terminations 12 of the card.

Please replace the third paragraph on page 7 of the subject application with the following amended paragraph:

As illustrated in Figure 4, the terminations 12 of the card must resist the forces placed thereon by the connectors 30 and conductors 32 ~~[[12]]~~. However, and as suggested in the adaptors 40 illustrated in Figure 6, the connectors 30 of Figure 4 may be provided with any suitable conventional means for attachment to the faceplate 20 so that the forces from the connector 30 and conductor 32 may be transferred to the faceplate 20 rather than to the card 10.

Please replace the paragraph spanning pages 7 and 8 of the subject application with the following amended paragraph:

In many cases the weight of the connector 30 [[26]] and the conductor cause a sharp bend in the conductor 32 because of the [[he]] effects of gravity. In other instances, the location of the peripheral equipment dictates the direction the conductor 32 must take from the card 10, and that direction may be up as suggested in Figures 1 and 4, down as suggested in Figures 6 and 7, or laterally.